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MAINTAINING SECURITY IN A  
DISTRIBUTED COMPUTER  
NETWORK

PATENT APPLICATION

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**Amendments**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.

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